# Application No. Applicant(s) 10/808,777 LEE ET AL. Notice of Allowability Examiner Art Unit Kevin Quarterman -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. 1. This communication is responsive to 23 July 2007. 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 15-27. 3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). b) ☐ Some\* c) ☐ None of the: 1. \( \subseteq \text{ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.} \) 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). \* Certified copies not received: \_\_\_ Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE. 4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient. 5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted. (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_ (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d). 6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL. Attachment(s) 1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application 2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 6. Interview Summary (PTO-413). Paper No./Mail Date \_ 3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08). 7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment Paper No./Mail Date 4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit 8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance of Biological Material 9. Other \_\_\_\_.

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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

## Response to Amendment

1. Applicant's amendment and remarks received 23 July 2007 have been entered and overcome the objection to claim 19.

## Allowable Subject Matter

- 2. Claims 15-27 are allowed.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Applicant has complied with the formal requirements recited in the previous office action. Claims 15-27 were allowed in the previous office action. The reasons are repeated in this office action.
- 4. Regarding independent claim 15, the prior art of record neither shows or suggests a plasma lighting bulb comprising, in addition to other limitations of the claim, a plurality of hexagonal patterns formed on an outer surface of the bulb due to an alignment of a plurality of grooves having a predetermined depth. Due to their dependency upon independent claim 15, claims 16-18 are also allowable for the same reason.
- 5. Regarding independent claim 19, the prior art of record neither shows or suggests a plasma lighting bulb comprising, in addition to other limitations of the claim, a plurality of grooves formed on an inner or outer surface of a bulb, wherein the plurality of grooves forms a plurality of polygon patterns. Due to their dependency upon independent claim 19, claims 20-27 are also allowable.

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6. The subject groove structure for a plasma lighting bulb having a metal wire, as described above, is provided for blocking electromagnetic waves. The design is new and unique to the art.

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7. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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#### **Contact Information**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kevin Quarterman whose telephone number is (571) 272-2461. The examiner can normally be reached on M-TH (7-5:30).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nimesh Patel can be reached on (571) 272-2457. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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